



# STATE OF NEVADA

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DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

Web Posting Date: 08/01/11

The Administrator, Division of Environmental Protection, Carson City, Nevada is issuing the following notice of proposed action under the Nevada Revised Statutes. The Administrator has received a request for renewal of a groundwater discharge permit, NEV90031 from the following applicant:

**Dyno Nobel Inc.  
P. O. Box 1628  
Battle Mountain, NV 89820**

The applicant operates an industrial plant located six (6) miles north and two miles east of Battle Mountain, in Lander County, Nevada. The plant, formerly owned and operated by Coastal Chemical, produces ammonium nitrate and nitric acid. The solid ammonium nitrate product is used, after mixing with other materials, as a blasting agent, in the mining industry. The water and incidental stormwater are discharged to a leak detected and triple-lined evaporation pond on site at a 30-day average permit limited rate of 0.049 MGD. Enhanced evaporation of the fluid results in a salable fertilizer product. The facility is monitored via nine monitor wells. NDEP proposes renew the discharge permit NEV90031 for a five (5) year period.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the proposed determinations by the Administrator regarding permit issuance, or request a hearing pursuant to the Nevada Administrative Code, Water Pollution Control, should submit their comments or request, in writing, within thirty (30) days of the date of newspaper publication, hand-delivered or postmarked no later than **5:00 P.M. on September 2, 2011**, either in person or by mail to:

**Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Water Pollution Control  
901 S. Stewart Street, Suite 4001  
Carson City, NV 89701-5249**

Comments and/or hearing requests received via facsimile or e-mail before **5:00 P.M.**

**September 2, 2011** will also be accepted. All requests for hearings must indicate the interest of the person filing the request and the reason(s) why a hearing is warranted. All comments or objections received within the thirty (30) day comment period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the application. If written comments indicate a significant degree of public interest in the proposed permit, the Administrator shall hold a public hearing. The public notice of such hearings will be issued not less than thirty (30) days prior to the

public hearing date.

If no hearing is held and the determinations of the Administrator are substantially changed from the tentative determinations, the Administrator will give public notice of the revised determinations. Additional comments and objections will be considered at that time.

The application, proposed permit, comments received, and other information are on file and may be copied or copies may be obtained by writing to the above address or by contacting Janine Hartley, P.E., Bureau of Water Pollution Control at (775) 687-9458, or at [jhartley@ndep.nv.gov](mailto:jhartley@ndep.nv.gov). The office facsimile number is (775) 687-4684. This notice and the Fact Sheet for this facility are also available on the NDEP website at [www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm](http://www.ndep.nv.gov/admin/public.htm).

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of all persons whom you know would be interested in this matter.